REMARKS

The Examiner has required that Applicant designate one of the inventions that belong to the identified set of Invention and species as set forth in the Office Action, and then elect to prosecute one of the Species, Currently, claims 1-20 are pending in the application. In this Amendment, claims 13-20 have been withdrawn.

Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction and elects Invention I and Species A as identified below for prosecution.

Breakdown of Claims

The Examiner has divided the pending claims into two groups:

Invention I-Claims 1-12, drawn to a system for detecting tissue contact, classified in class 604, subclass 117; and

Invention II-Claims 13-20, drawn to a method of detecting tissue contact, classified in class 604, subclass 506.

Applicant elects Invention I.

Breakdown of Species

The Examiner has divided the pending claims into eight species group:

Group A: Figure 1

Group B: Figure 2A

Group C: Figure 10

Group D: Figure 12a

Group E: Figure 12b

Group F: Figure 13

Group AA: Figure 14; and

Group BB: Figure 15.

Applicant elects Species A.

If the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of these claims that could be clarified with a telephone conference, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact Mimi Diemmy Dao at (408) 720-8300.

Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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